

In the Specification

At page 3, lines 19 – 23, please replace the paragraph as follows (underlined denotes replacements additions and strikethrough notes deletions):

In addition, heads are now built with flat rather than curved tape bearing surfaces, as described in U.S. Patent No. 5,905,613. These ~~head~~heads, when constructed for high density recording, have critical module-to-module alignment tolerances, and required a new design and a new assembly method for controlling their tolerances.

At page 17, lines 10 – 18, please replace the paragraph as follows (underlined denotes replacements additions and strikethrough notes deletions):

The tape wrap angle between the two modules is then set by first establishing planarity with the transparent surface using optical fringes, then lifting the opposite end of each module holder a prescribed amount. This is performed by rotating height adjusters 944, 946 to change the height of the rear end 948 of the module holders 910, 920. For example, the rear 948 of each module holder 910, 920 may be equipped with a smooth, surface-hardened groove 950. A sapphire or other hard, low friction ball 952 may engage the slot. Actuator 944, 946 may be used to lift the ball 952. As the ball 952 lifts, the ball 952 is free to slip in the groove 950 to provide the proper alignment. The remaining module holder motions are constrained.